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REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE FREEDMAN'S HOSPITAL

NEAR TALLADEGA, TO THE GOVERNOR.

To his Excellency Wm. H. Smith, Governor of Alabama:

SIR—The undersigned, secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Freedmen's Hospital, near Talladega, begs leave to submit the following report of the progress and present condition of the charity under our charge:

The whole number of inmates during the year, forty-four (44); five have died; number now in hospital, thirty-nine (39).

The names, ages, disease, if any, and present condition of each patient is shown in the report of Dr. E. B. Truman, surgeon in charge, which accompanies this report. The welfare of the inmates has been entrusted mainly to the steward, Mr. G. P. McAfee, to whose report the board refers your Excellency for particulars. The fund at our disposal for the support of the hospital was $5,700 93. Of this sum, $5,101 73 has been expended. Estimating the expenditure for the month of December at $435 25, the same amount as for the present month, and we have left of the original amount of the appropriation the sum of $163 90.

Winter is approaching, and finds the patients without suitable clothes, and this small sum is inadequate for the purchase of the necessary garments for keeping them comfortable during the colder months.

The steward has submitted to us a requisition for the

following list of clothing, which, in the opinion of the board, ought to be furnished them:

Hats	21,	costing	$10 50
Coats	16	"	48 00
Pairs pants	23	"	33 00
Shirts	42	"	42 00
Shoes	34	"	68 00
Socks	70	"	24 00
Dresses	18	"	30 00
Under dresses	18	"	18 00
Chemise	17	"	15 30

Whole amount $289 80
From this take amount on hand 163 90

And we have the sum of $125 90

To be provided by appropriation, which we have to request your Excellency to urge upon the Legislature to allow us, at as early a day as practicable.

The cost to the State of the patients, *per capita*, has been about $138, which we submit has been as little as could possibly have been expended and do justice to the unfortunate inmates. This includes food, clothing, medicine, hire of attendants, rent of premises and buildings, and salary of physician and steward. The property of the hospital consists in a pair of mules and wagon, the necessary beds and bedding, some dining room and kitchen furniture, and the contents of the dispensary, which does not amount to much. The rent paid for the building and premises, the same as described in last report, is $30 per month. The question of extending further aid to these unfortunates must be determined by the Legislature. We see, though, no other way to dispose of them, other than continue to aid them by State appropriation, as it would be manifestly unjust to throw the whole burden on Talladega county. All of which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the Board.

J. H. JOHNSON, Secretary.

Amount of money expended for Freedmen's Hospital of Alabama, near Talladega.

For the month of	January, 1869	$630 09
"	February, "	648 21
"	March, "	.....
"	April, "	983 23
"	May, "	508 49
"	June, "	.....
"	July, "	699 57
"	August, "	558 d9
"	September, "	360 40
"	October, "	463 76
"	November, "	413 42
"	December "	734 71
Total		$5,999 07
Deduct the above sum from the sum appropriated by act of the Legislature of Alabama, December 21, 1868,		6,500 00
		$500 93
For the month of	January, 1870	448 86
"	February, "	498 34
"	March, "	492 43
"	April, "	433 33
"	May, "	467 52
"	June, "	467 78
"	July, "	478 85
"	August, "	468 60
"	September, "	457 64
"	October, "	413 13
"	November, "	435 25
Probable amount for December, 1870		435 25
Total		$5,537 03
Amount on hand December 31, 1868		500 93
Amount appropriated by act of Feb. 18, 1870		5,200 00
		$5,700 93
Amount expended for 1870		5,537 03
And will leave on hand December 31, 1870		$163 90

Respectfully submitted to his Excellency William H. Smith, Governor of Alabama.

GREEN T. MCAFEE,
Pres't Board of Trustees.

Nov. 1st, 1870.

List of Hospital Property Bought by Dr. J. H. Johnson from William B. Vandwyn, December 28th, 1869.

No.	Articles.	No.	Articles.
100	Bedsteads.	1	Clock.
100	Bedticks.	1	Corkscrew.
300	Blankets. 40 stolen.	300	Feet of Clothes-line.
200	Sheets. 150 stolen.	5	Feeding Cups.
100	Col'd Spreads. 12 stolen.	2	Tin Pint Funnels.
100	Pillows. 8 stolen.	2	Nutmeg Graters.
200	Pillow-cases. 8 stolen.	1	Hatchet.
200	Shirts. 185 used.	2	Glass Lanterns.
100	Drawers, pr's. 142 used.	1	Hand-Litter.
70	Dressing-gowns. Issued.	1	Measure, (graduate 4 oz.)
74	Sacks. None.	1	" " min'm.
24	Bedside-tables.	1	Tin measure, gal. to pint.
24	Chairs.	1	Coffee-Mill.
12	Chambers. 5 stolen.	1	Mortar and Pestle.
3	Bedpans.	1	Pill-Till.
12	Spittoons.	4	Sad-Irons.
6	Spitmugs.	1	Scale & weights, (presc'n)
6	Urinales.	1	" " (shop.)
12	Bowls.	1	Spatula.
6	Pitchers.	1	Cooking-Stove.
12	Plates, (delf.)	1	Cleaver.
26	Plates, (tin.)	1	Flesh-Fork.
6	Dishes.	2	Iron Tea-Kettles.
80	Knives.	1	Butcher-Knife.
80	Forks.	130	Bottles, (assorted sizes.)
50	Tablespoons.	14	Pots and Jars.
12	Tea-spoons.	25	Cans.
87	Mugs.	1	Bath-Tub.
12	Tin Cups.	5	Tin Dippers.
12	Tin Basins.	2	Trays, (butter.)
14	Wooden Buckets.	6	Glass Tumblers.
100	Bedticks and Frames.	4	Clothes-Stools.
10	Candlesticks.		

The following is a List of Hospital Property, actually present at the Freedman's Hospital, Talladega, Alabama, November 1st, 1870.

No.	Articles.	No.	Articles.
100	Bed-Spreads.	1	Clock.
155	Bed-Ticks.	2	Cork-Screws.
260	Blankets.	300	Feet of Clothes-Line.
50	Sheets.	3	Feeding-Cups.
87	Colored Spreads.	2	Tin Pint Funnels.
92	Pillows.	2	Nutmeg Graters.
92	Pillow-Cases.	1	Hatchet.
15	Shirts.	2	Glass Lanterns.
58	Pair of Drawers.	1	Hand-Litter.
24	Bedside-Tables.	1	Measure, (graduate 4 oz.)
24	Chairs.	1	" (" 1 lb.)
7	Chambers.	1	" (" mini'm.
5	Bed-Pans.	1	" (gallon to pint.)
12	Spit-Boxes.	1	Coffee-Mill.
6	Spit-Mugs.	2	Mortars and Pestle.
6	Urinales.	1	Pill-Till.
12	Bowls.	4	Sad-Irons.
6	Pitchers.	1	Scale & weights, (presc'n.)
12	Plates, (delf.)	1	" " (shop.)
5	Dishes.	2	Spatulas.
80	Knives.	2	Cooking-Stoves.
80	Forks.	3	Heating-Stoves.
47	Table-Spoons.	1	Cleaver.
12	Tea-Spoons.	1	Flesh-Fork.
60	Mugs.	2	Iron Tea-Kettles.
12	Tin Cups.	1	Butcher-Knife.
27	Tin Plates.	130	Bottles, (assorted sizes.)
13	Wooden Buckets.	14	Pots and Jars.
12	Tin Wash-Basins.	25	Cans.
300	Bed-Ticks and Frames.	1	Plow.
10	Candle-Sticks.	6	Working-Hoes.

GENTLEMEN:—As I stated in my report of November, 1869, the articles reported stolen, were stolen during the time that elapsed from the day of the sale, December 28th, 1869, and the day the property was turned over to me, January 6th, 1869. Dr. William B. Vanduyn had free access to the room that contained the property, and I have sufficient evidence that he sold them to every body that wanted to buy, *after the sale.*

Every thing is in splendid condition. Such property that is in continual use is at all times kept neat and clean.

The inmates have been and are abundantly supplied with every variety of vegetables that the country affords; *raised on the premises.*

Every thing of necessity is remarkably convenient—an incessant stream of water runs directly through the yard of the premises, and an abundance of wood is convenient. In short, I think nothing could be added to the suitableness of the locality for an institution of the like kind.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,

G. P. McAFEE,
Hospital Steward.

To Hon. Board of Trustees, Freedman's Hospital, Talladega, Alabama.

SURGEON'S REPORT.

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Hon. Board of Trustees of
Freedman's Hospital, Talladega, Ala.:

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to herewith transmit my Annual Report of Freedman's Hospital near Talladega, Alabama, from November 1st, 1869, to November 1st, 1870, inclusive, and would most respectfully call your attention to the same. You will see by reference to the column of deaths, we have just one half the number reported at the last—only six deaths occurring during this last year—therefore we can safely say the sanitary condition of the hospital is better than at any previous date. You will also observe the diseases attached to their respective names. This does not precisely, nor is it intended to represent all the diseases treated during the year, but only such as they were laboring under at the time of admission. We have had an epidemic of Rubola—seventeen cases in all, of a mild character and very tractable, losing none. All the deaths, with one exception, were of old or irremediable cases. This exception was a child two years old, as you will see by the report, and died of croup before I could reach the Hospital.

This, gentlemen, closes the report for the year. I would add, I have to thank both yourselves and the attending Steward for at any and all times giving me prompt and unremitting attention and aid in the varied duties of the Hospital.

Wishing I may have given satisfaction, I remain very respectfully,

Your ob't serv't,

E. B. FREEMAN,

Surgeon in charge of Freedman's Hospital.

REPORT

Of the inmates of Freedman's Hospital near Talladega, Alabama, from 1st November, 1869, to 1st November, 1870.

No.	Names.	Age.	Sex.	Residence.	Disease.	Died.
1	Burnes, Primmer	50	Male	Talladega	Deformity	
2	Blance, Lucinda	45	Female	Dallas Co.	Pregnancy	
3	Blane, Emeline	11	do.	do.	.....	
4	Blance, Frank	7	Male	do.	.....	
5	Bilingsly, Daniel	39	do.	do.	Chronic ——	
6	Baker, Sarah	40	Female	do.	do.	
7	Baker, Victoria	9	do.	do.	.....	
8	Baker, Henry	7	Male	do.	.....	
9	Cameron, Burrel	37	do.	Talladega	Blind	
10	Calhoun, Samuel	38	do.	do.	Epilepsy	March 6, 7'0.
11	Childerson. Pleasant	75	Female	do.	Pneumonia	Nov. 24, '69.
12	Dobbins, Nellie	70	do.	do.	Epilepsy	
13	Dent, Kate	70	do.	Dallas	Debility	
13	Dent, William	7	Male	do.	.....	
15	Dent, Henry	5	do.	do,	.....	
16	Faulks, James	25	do.	Talladega	Idiocy	
17	Freeman, Doez	40	Female	Butler	do.	
18	Coffee, Julia	6	do.	Talladega	.....	
19	Coffee, Leah	40	do.	do.	Syphilis	
20	Coffee, Harriet	1	do.	do.	.....	
21	Grodie, Hester	70	do.	Dallas	Debility	
22	Hubbard, Robert	69	Male	Butler	Ulcer, leg	
23	Hurz, Earlie	8	do.	Talladega	.....	
24	Hammel, Walton	9	do.	do.	Epilepsy	
25	Jones, Jane	25	Female	Dallas	Idiocy	
26	Jones, Lucy	20	do.	do.	Epilepsy	
27	Liggins, Greene	40	Male	Talladega	Deformity	
28	Martin, Peter	35	do.	do.	Idiocy	
29	Par, Oliver	65	do.	Butler	Blind	
30	Par, Oliver, jr	9	do.	do.	.....	
31	Plowman, Thomas	75	do,	Talladega	Debility	
32	Roberts, James	80	do-	do.	Rheumatism	
33	Roberts, Hannah	70	Female	do.	Idiocy	
34	Russel, Alexander	12	Male	Butler	Spinal com.	
35	Smith, Stephen	60	do.	Talladega	Debility, bl'd	
36	Smith, Linda	65	Female	do.	Pneumonia	Sept. 13, '70.
37	Simmons, Sarah	70	do.	do.	Imbecility	
38	Stowe, Rachel	20	do.	do.	Epilepsy	
39	Snowden, Phillis	22	do.	Butler	Idiocy	
40	Turner, Isaac	90	Male	Talladega	Asthma	March 23, '70
41	Thomas, Isaac	40	do.	Dallas	Fracture leg.	
42	Thomas, Rachel	80	Female	Butler	.....	
43	Tuck, Martha	23	do.	Talladega	Deformity	
44	Denison, Thomas	65	Male	Butler	Paralysis	Nov. 5, 1869.
45	Coffee, Grant	1½	do.	Talladega	Croup	Feb. 11, 1870.

ATTENDANTS.

Smoot, Moses ..... Teamster.
Hervy, Harriet ..... Laundress.
Wayne, Julia ..... Cook.
Oden, Lu ..... Assistant Cook.
Harris, Louisa ..... Nurse.